

**Acts 10:34a, 37-43**  
**Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8**  
**John 20: 1-9 or Mark 16: 1-7**  
***FOCUS: We have been raised up with Christ!***

*The great Feast of Easter is upon us! We will never be the same; so our Easter liturgy proclaims. The mystery of the pass-over of Jesus from death to glorification radiates throughout all of time. Our liturgy draws us to participate evermore earnestly in this one Christ-event, standing at the heart of the world's salvation.*

*Our Gospel today from Mark begins with a familiar scene. The three women were bringing perfumed oils to anoint the body of Jesus, and they were worried about rolling the huge stone from the tomb. They find the stone rolled back, and are utterly amazed when they see a young man dressed in white who reassures them that the one who was crucified has been raised up.*

*Easter tells us the Resurrection is not something which happened to Jesus alone nor is it just a past event. At the heart of Easter—the Vigil—the baptism of new members into the Church took place. These newly believing people—the elect—were brought to the font and immersed into the dying and rising of Jesus. Today, in many of our parishes we baptize in some form of immersion, expressing more visibly our sharing in the death and burial of Jesus. In the vigil reading from Romans, we hear Paul exclaim. “Brothers and sisters, are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?” Now the sealed tomb of Jesus has become a womb bursting open with new life, and is symbolized by the baptismal font in which new life is begotten and brought forth.*

*Easter is always our mystery, too. We strain to find words appropriate for expressing all that has happened to us. Our liturgy, in word and ritual action, including the renewal of our baptismal promises, tells us that our life is a sharing in the risen life of Jesus. Paul tells us that we have been raised up in company with Christ. As Christ appears in glory so shall we! We have died and our life is hidden now with Christ.*

*The story of creation from Genesis, points to Easter as a new beginning, a new creation. Easter tells us that creation is not something which occurred only in the past; it is still ongoing. The beginning—what God intended from all eternity—is also its end, reaching its accomplishment only as we are created anew in the Resurrection. The best is still ahead of us. Jesus is the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. The beginning of eternal life stands ahead of us and beckons us forward.*

*The young man dressed in white tells the women that Christ is going before them to Galilee and they will see him there. Galilee is where Mark's Gospel begins. Some scholars point out that there are really two levels to the Gospel of Mark. It is obviously the story of Jesus and his ministry. Subtly interwoven is the ministry of the Church, where the Apostles, sent back to Galilee after the resurrection, continue to work with Jesus to bring the Good News to the next generation. The powerful works of healing, the teaching with authority, and expelling demons are the Church's ministry as well as that of Jesus and his Apostles. Every baptized Christian, sharing the humiliation of trial and rejection, is given the robe of glory and proclaims with one voice, "Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified . . . Has been raised." Easter is very much our feast; we, too, have been raised up!*

**CONGRATULATIONS:**

With gratitude, we also welcome newly Professed Catholics: ***Cadets Philip Castaneda, William Cross, Jordan Lane, Sean Miller, Emily Siegert, Ian Smith, Rebecca Tsuchiya, Mrs. Angela Reding and Major Mark West***, who were Confirmed and received First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. We also congratulate ***Mrs. Kathleen Hickey***, who was confirmed at the Easter Vigil. Many thanks to all the members of the RCIA team, sponsors and catechists, who walked the journey of faith with these catechumens and candidates toward their full initiation into the Catholic Church. Our parish is truly blessed and inspired by their dedication and generosity.

Mon – Acts 2: 14, 22-33, Matthew 28: 8-15  
 Tue – Acts 2: 36-41, John 20: 11-18  
 Wed – Acts 3: 1-10, Luke 24: 13-35  
 Thurs – Acts 3: 11-26, Luke 24: 35-48  
 Fri – Acts 4: 1-12, John 21: 1-14  
 Sat – Acts 4: 13-21, Mark 16: 9-15

Sat	19	Apr	1715	Parishioners of MHT
Sun	20	Apr	0900	Parishioners of MHT
Sun	20	Apr	1100	Parishioners of MHT
Mon	21	Apr	1205	Helen Kelleher
Tue	22	Apr	1205	
Wed	23	Apr	1205	Louis PolICASTRI
Thurs	24	Apr	1205	The Blanc family
Fri	25	Apr	1205	Julie Blanc

Attendance 665 Offering \$2,668.30 **This The Next Designated Offering : June 7 & 8**  
**will be for “Sacred Heart”**

<b>1715</b>	Picciuto
<b>0900</b>	Vollmer/Wollschlager
<b>1100</b>	Knights

1715	T. Leszczynski, D. Brazil, Cadet
<b>0900</b>	F. Biskup, B. Moretti, Cadet
1100	(4) Knights, L. Wigger, K. Heppes, B. Smith

<b>1715</b>	Ian & Mike Phillips
<b>0900</b>	Scott Lathrop
<b>1100</b>	Knights of Columbus

1715 Andrea Glen, Katelyn & Emily Leszczynski  
**0900** Cadet Joseph Tomasello, Cadet Rugarber  
 1100 (3) Knights of Columbus

1715	Sharon & Pat Kane
<b>0900</b>	Jacob Brady / Joseph Palumbo
1100	Knights of Columbus

From Matthew 5: 15-16

Kate Hayden 938-8760

***No 1100 Mass at MHT that day.***

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:  
GOD'S TYM (Total Youth Ministries)  
POC Tanya Tolentino @ 424-3609**

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## *MCCW Outreach*

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## MCCW First Friday Program:

## Installation of the New MCCW Board

All women of Most Holy Trinity are invited to join us on Thurs, 1 May for our final MCCW event of this semester. We will be inducting the new MCCW board members for 2003-2004, as well as holding a silent "Goods and Services" auction to raise money for MCCW's National Charity. The evening begins with Mass at 7 PM. If you can come early, Rosary begins at 6:45.

## MCCW Spring Service Project:

Anyone willing to donate new women's toiletries for the homeless women of NYC should bring their donations to the 1 May MCCW meeting, which begins with Mass at 7 PM in the Chapel. Donations can also be given to any members of MCCW prior to that meeting.

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*RCIA*

*MHT Catholic Chapel needs folks who will work with us in welcoming people into our Catholic Church. We have the funds to send you to a week long training session sponsored by the North American Forum on the Catechumenate.*

One of the most important missions of any parish is to welcome people into our Church and to share our Faith with them.. The responsibility belongs to all of us, but specifically we need some parishioners to work with us on the **Rite of Christian Initiation** Team. No experience necessary, just a willingness to share

faith with someone who is interested in our Catholic Faith. Please contact Father Vince or Kay Heppes for more information.

### **Prayers for Michael Kwinn III.**

Michael Kwinn, III, son of LTCs Brigitte and Michael Kwinn is fighting cancer. The Most Holy Trinity Parish family has secured a medal of Mary of the Miraculous Medal that was touched by Mother Teresa of the Missionaries of Charity in 1997. Michael and his family have been blessed with the medal and are wearing the two medals. We are asking members of the parish family to pray to God for Michael's healing through the intercession of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and Mother Teresa whose is being considered for canonization to Sainthood. Please feel free to ask others.

*Novena Prayer: O Immaculate Virgin Mary / Mother of Our Lord Jesus and our Mother, /Penetrated with the most lively confidence in your all-powerful and never-failing intercession,/ manifested so often through the Miraculous Medal,/We your loving and trustful children implore you to obtain for us the graces and favors we ask during this novena, / if they be beneficial to our immortal souls, and the souls for whom we pray./ (Healing of Michael Kwinn III)*

*You know, O Mary, how often our souls have been the sanctuaries of your Son who hates iniquity. / Obtain for us then a deep hatred of sin and that purity of heart which will attach us to God alone so that our every thought, word and deed may tend to His greater glory. / Obtain for us also a spirit of prayer and self-denial that we may recover by penance what we have lost by sin and at length attain to that blessed abode where you are the Queen of angels and of men. Amen*

*Jesus, we humbly ask you to glorify in heaven and on earth, the servant of God, Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who generously participated in Your sufferings, who loved Thee so much and labored for the glory of your heavenly Father and for the good of souls. With confidence, we beseech thee to grant us, through her intercession the grace of ... (Healing of Michael Kwinn III) which we ardently desire.*

**Pray:** *Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen (3 times)*  
**Format borrowed from Prayer for Intercession of Padre Pio**